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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

APPLICANT: TONY ALBRECHT et al. GROUP ART UNIT: 2828
SERIAL NO.: 09/824,086 EXAMINER: LEUNG, Q.
FILING DATE: April 2, 2001
INVENTION: OPTICALLY PUMPED, SURFACE-EMITTING
SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
THE MANUFACTURE THEREOF

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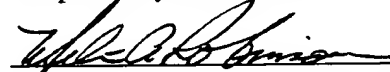
SIR:

In response to the restriction requirement dated June 25, 2002, Applicants hereby elect for purposes of immediate prosecution the invention of group I, claims 1-24. The election is without traverse.

The Examiner required election of either claims 1-24 or claims 26-29. Applicant specifically reserves the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claims.

Favorable consideration of the present application is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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